

LENT

Pray + Fast + Give

Welcome to Mt. Olivet UCC!

Second Sunday of Lent Worship Bulletin

March 7, 2021

Welcome -

Pastor Michael

Prelude -

Spencer Reed

Opening Prayer -

Pastor Michael

Contemporary Song – *Shout to the Lord*

Contemporary Team

Contemporary Song – *10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)*

Contemporary Team

(Chorus)

Bless the Lord, O my soul...O my soul Worship His holy name...Sing like never before,
O my soul I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning its time to sing your song again
Whatever my pass and whatever lies before me Let me be singing when the evening comes

(Chorus)

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger Your name is great and heart is kind
For all your goodness I will keep on singing... 10,000 reasons for my heart to find

(Chorus)

And on the day when my strength is failing the end draws near and my time has come still my soul will sing your praises....
10,000 years and then forevermore, forever more

(Chorus x 2)

I'll worship Your holy name
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Birthdays for March 7th – March 13th

Salli Dispenza

Scripture Lesson – *Jeremiah 29:4-7,10*

This is the Word of God.

Thanks be to God.

Kid's Time

Pastor Michael

Hymn - *The Lord, the Seed of Life, Has Sown*

Mt. Olivet Choir Quartet

The Lord, the seed of life, has sown Himself into our heart, To grow up into fullness and become His counterpart.
The seed requires no rules or forms, for water is its need By this the all-inclusive seed will grow in us indeed.
The seed is simply Jesus! Oh, Jesus lives in me! And by His growth this seed in us will reach maturity.

The growth of Christ, the seed, in us will soon produce the what; The life within break forth yet work Divine is not complete
For where alone can never be the seed's expression true, So all the grains must blend together into something new.
The seed is simply Jesus; Now wheat is Jesus too! The grains of wheat must blend together into something new.

Lord, keep us poor in spirit, pure in heart that we may be; Good ground in which the seed of life may grow abundantly,
Until the final stage is reached and You are satisfied And have Your priceless, chosen pearl, Your joy complete,
Your Bride. Lord, keep us poor in spirit And purified in heart, That growing up in us You may bring forth Your counterpart.

Prayer Time – Pastoral-Silent-Lord's Pray

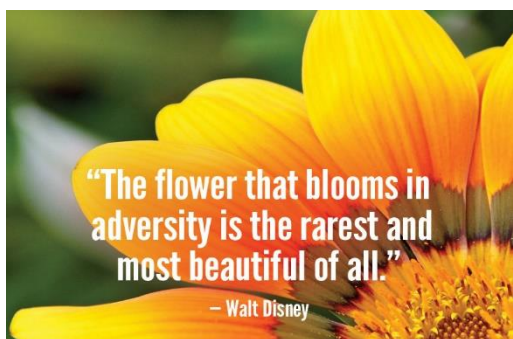


Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Sermon – Jeremiah 29:11

‘Grow Where You’re Planted’



Jerimiah writes to the exiled believers in Babylon promising hope and a future (29:11) while being brutally honest about their long term situation (vs. 10). Admiral James Stockdale was a Vietnam POW at the so-called Hanoi Hilton tortured over 20 times during his eight-year imprisonment. Jim Collins the writer of the book “Good to Great” coined the term the Stockdale paradox – you must retain faith that you will prevail in the end and you must also confront the brutal facts of your current reality. In other words, “Grow where you are planted.”

Preparation Song – Gather Us In

Spencer Reed

Here in this place, the new light is streaming; shadows of doubt are vanished away. See in this space our fears and our dreamings, brought here to you in the light of this day. Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; gather us in; our spirits inflame. Call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young – our lives are a mystery; We are the old – who yearn for your face. We have been sung throughout all of history, called to be light to the whole human race. Gather us in, the rich and the haughty; gather us in, the proud and the strong; give us a heart so meek and so lowly; give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we receive new life in the waters; here we receive the bread of new birth; here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth. Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you; nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not just in buildings, small and confining, not in some heaven, light years away; here in this place the new light is shining; now is God present, and now is the day. Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own; gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Holy Communion

Contemporary Song – We Will Dance

Contemporary Team

Sing a song of celebration. Lift up a shout of praise, for the bridegroom. Will come, the glorious one.
And O we will look on His face, We'll go to a much better place.
Dance will all your might. Lift up your hands and clap for joy,
The time's drawing near, when He will appear. And O we will stand by His side, a strong pure spotless bride.

We will dance on the streets that are golden, the glorious bride and the great Son of Man.
Every tongue and tribe and nation, We'll join in the song of the Lamb
Sing aloud for the time of rejoicing is near. (Echo); The risen King, our groom is soon to appear. (Echo)
The wedding feast to come is now near at hand. (Echo); Lift up your voice, proclaim the coming Lamb. (Echo)

We will dance on the streets that are golden, the glorious bride and the great Son of Man.
Every tongue and tribe and nation; We'll join in the song of the Lamb.

Church Prayer List



Thank You to Our Health Workers – Becky Bierdeman, Rachel Bradley, Janine Brown, Cynthia Cash, Frank Dispenza, Judy Gifford, Pam Gregory, Mindy Gribben, Kyle Guterba, Kelly King, Steve Lippert, Jared Miller, Jodi Stratton, Gary Williams, Andrew Yocum, Kris Yocum

Prayer Concerns & Praises – Rich Brintzenhofe, Brysen Brown, Viola Davis, Sean Drummond's ministry at ACH, Nicole Harker, Brynn Peters, Cynthia Walker, Barry Farnam, Tom Eisenbraun

Shut-Ins or Assisted Living – Rosemarie Baun, Helen Brown, Sally Crumbacher, Shirley Gerthung, Jack & Maggie Hughes, Edith Kellner, Leonard Pirl, Dale Sr. & Alyce Sheely, Twila Telego, Bob & Jean Watson

Cancer Patients – Gary Allen, Jim Allen, Donna Barnett, Jackie Burley, Barb Feaster, Patricia Heinko, Kay May, Stephanie Pavlich, Debbie Stevenson

Military, Law Enforcement, Foreign & Christian Missionary Service – David Butcher, Lauren Bradley (FS) Destree Combs, Tom Edwards, Dustin Elliott (ZPD), Marissa Elliott, Sharon F. (CMS), Eric Humer, Craig Miller, Donovan Shimer, Tristian Sullivan, William Sullivan, Nathan Whan

Events & Reminders

We are open to in-person services again! Services will begin at **10:30am**.

Don't forget your facial covering, to keep physically distanced from others, and get your temperature taken before entering the Sanctuary.

Movers & Seekers adult Sunday School class will be held in the Chapel at **9:15am**. Kid's Sunday School will take place right after Kid's Time during Worship.

Community Day Camp ground sausage is available first-come-first-served for those that didn't get a chance to order. See John or Nancy to purchase, \$4 a pound, already frozen.

Lenten Bible Study will go from February 17th – March 24th, **Wednesdays at 7pm**.

Consistory Meeting – Wednesday, March 10 @6pm

Next Sunday we will be observing **ONE GREAT HOUR** special offering effort for the UCC. See the March newsletter for more information. Barb will give a short presentation that Sunday,

Spring your clocks forward Saturday night, the 13th!

First day of Spring Saturday, March 20th!

February 28, 2021 ~ Attendance: 38 Offering: \$2,965.00

today

Today at Good Hope Lutheran, from noon-4pm (or till sold out) they are selling New England Corn Beef & Cabbage Dinners; including: ½ lb. slow-cooked, flat-cut corn beef brisket, served with red potatoes, baby carrots, tender cabbage, and stone-ground mustard on the side – All for only \$14. Served to you at your car!

Thank you for your support of Mt. Olivet UCC!
Have a blessed and joyous week!